

# Chapter 77 Flypaper



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## President's Message . . .

Whew!! Where has the summer gone? – Did I say summer? We have only had a few days in the 80's and it is already Oshkosh week.

Many of our members attended the Grand Daddy of Air Shows July 27 – Aug 2. If you were unable to attend this year you can still see what transpired at [www.airventure.org](http://www.airventure.org). On their website is a cockpit video of the Airbus A-380, the world's largest passenger airliner. If you like to plan ahead the EAA AirVenture for 2010 will be July 26 thru August 1.

Well, enjoy the rest of the summer months and be safe out there flying. - Rod



## Addition To Chapter 77 Clubhouse

Dan Willoughby and the committee are moving forward on the addition. They will be getting building permits, creating specs, and opening the project for bids. We look forward to the extra space this project will create in our Work Room for all our "builders".

*Chapter 77 meets the second Thursday of each month, except January, at 7:30 P.M. in the hangar at Dalton Airport. Board meetings are 8 days prior to the regular meetings at 7:00 P.M.. Please come!*

## 2009 BOARD MEMBERS & OFFICERS

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Program Chairman:	Shared by Board Members		Project Center Director	Mike Padisak	

## Classifieds:

**For Sale:** Luscombe AE, \$21,000 and C-140, \$20,000. Call Jerry Zerbe (810) 444-0343 .

**Hangar Space for Rent** - in Chapter 77 hangar on Dalton Airport. \$100 per mo. Rod Curtis(810) 449-6972 (cell)

**Learn To Fly** –Renew your interest in flying. “Father John Flying Club” has **immediate openings** for students, pilots who want to stay current, and pilots who want to renew their passion. Instructors and 3 aircraft available. Inexpensive rates. Contact Jim Plourde jimplourde@comcast.net

**1950 PA-18 Super Cub** 140.22 TTA engine, 0 SMOH. Total rebuild with many mods. New Univar fuselage with float fittings. New Univar wing struts. Vortex generators. 8.50 tires. New Scott 3200 tail wheel. Atlee Dodge safety cables. Auto gas STC. Current annual, mint condition. \$69,500. Call Tom Holton 810-636-7037.

**Service:** Annual Inspections, Condition Inspections, General Maintenance and Service. Dan Liming (810) 938-5556

**Cessna 175** –1956 Skylark N7390M, Ser. 55690, T.T. 1,773.9, O.H. at 1,368, King 800L, Hush Com with push to talk with 2 head sets, Narco Com 810 and AT 15 Trans. \$27,500 with annual. Call Roy Grace (810) 631-4070

**1948 Cessna 140** Newly rebuilt engine, 4 hours since MO. Current annual. Interior good shape, needs headliner and TLC. \$22,000 OBO. Call Gayle (810) 733-6213.

**Kennon Engine Cover** for C-182 - polyester outer shell. Used twice. Includes storage bag. \$175. Also **Salamander**, kerosene, 35,000 BTU, \$100. Call Rod (810) 732-1085

**Smith Mini Plane for sale!** Under construction, with everything you need to complete the job. Includes .029G engine. \$7,500 obo. Call Hoyt Petty 810-732-0467.



**Home on Dalton Airport (3DA):** 1,490 sq. ft. includes 48x56” aircraft hangar and runway access. \$225,000.

Details and floor plan at website (<http://sites.google.com/site/pilotiadreamhomeflushingmi/>) Also for sale on this website: **Lycoming engine** 0320, 150 hrs. (SMOH) and a list of **Aircraft Building/Restoration materials**

**Contact Cathie (Drum) Hutchinson 313-598-2615, or email—Pilot Dream @yahoo.com**

Contributions to the “*Flypaper*” are welcome and can be made by contacting Jack Irwin at 659-6672 or email to Jirwin34@comcast.net. Deadline: 1st of each month

## **Dates to Remember . . .**

### Next Meeting

**Thursday, August 13, 2009**

*Refreshments served –7:00 p.m.*

*Meeting –7:30 p.m.*

### Young Eagles Day

**Saturday, August 15, 2009**

*Pilots and ground crew needed*

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### Flyouts—2009

- Aug 1-2 Port Huron 10 –5:00 Oshkosh Oasis
- Aug 8 Cadillac 7 - 11:00 Fly-in Breakfast
- Aug 9 Howell 7 –11:00 Fly-in Breakfast
- Aug 16 Mason 7:30 –4:00 Mason Aviation Days
- Aug 22 Alma 9 - 5:00 Open House
- Aug 22 Ionia 2 –7:00 Fly-in Dinner
- Aug 22 Northport 8 –Noon Fly-in Breakfast
- Sept 13 Fowlerville 7 –11:00 Fly-in Breakfast
- Sept 20 Owosso 8 –11:30 Fly-in Breakfast
- Sept 27 Port Huron 7 –Noon Fly-in Breakfast

***Catch these breakfasts***

***while we still have some summer left***

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***- Young Eagles -***

**Tim Harwood reports . . .** Next Young Eagles Day will be Saturday, August 15th. If you have a group interested, please contact Tim at (810) 964-9827.

Many Chapter 77 faces were seen at the International Train Festival held at Owosso Airport in July. A highlight was the B-17 and B-25 as well as many helicopters.

## **Father John Flying Club**

At their Annual Meeting in July the following members were elected to office:

President - Jim Plourde

Vice President - Tim LeClair

Treasurer –Andy Shaw

Secretary –Mike Goulet

*Congratulations !*

### **Thanks!**

With the help of JD Skinner, Gary Mullins and Pat Allen, we now have carts to store our tables. They can be easily rolled around and locked. Chapter 77 appreciates you help and expertise.

## EAA CHAPTER 77 MEETING NOTES JULY 9, 2009

The meeting came to order at 7:30pm by Greg Palinsky / standing in for Rod Curtis.

Visitors: Paul Manners (who just took delivery of an RV12).

The secretary's report was accepted as published in the newsletter. Motion by Bill Campeau and seconded by Tim Harwood. The treasurer's report wasn't read due to Dan Willouby not being present.

This year's Dawn Patrol breakfast was fabulous. It was reported that we served 1385 breakfasts. We had lots of planes fly in this year, again, and the Army Chinook copter was a big hit. Lots of people stood amazed as the rotors began to spin and it took flight. Wow, what a prop wash **THAT** was!!!! Next year's Dawn Patrol will be on June 13, 2010. Mark your calendars.

Our float in the Flushing parade took 3<sup>rd</sup> place this year and due to cut backs, we received a ribbon instead of a trophy.

The Young Eagle's: Tim reported that there have been 73 kids flown so far, and that 43 of them were on the day before the Breakfast.

Jerry Zerbe gave a short presentation on the components of a "Ramp check". He recently became the lucky receiver of one. He talked on how important it is to not just have all your skills up to date as a pilot, but you also need to have all your paperwork available, and ready to render to the FAA at a moment's notice.

Tim Harwood gave a brief blurb of a recent occurrence at Owosso Community Airport. They had been one of 18 airports that were selected from the whole U.S. to be checked. The FAA and the US Congressional Land bank arrived for a complete and thorough review of records and inspection of hangers for any violations. Since Owosso community airport receives grant monies, they are in the nationwide "pool" for such an inspection.

The Smith mini-plane plans are needed in order to sell the plane. If anyone knows of their whereabouts, please contact Jerry Z or Dan Willoughby.

The Chesaning Dawn Patrol is this Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup>. Please show up on Sat to help load our equipment on the trailer for transport, as well as on Sunday by 6:00am. Helpers are needed afterwards for cleaning the equipment at our hanger, once it returns.

The Board recommends that the new addition goes forward as proposed. Bids are now being accepted. We hope to get at least 3 contractor's bids.

The Father John 77 Flying Club has several openings. The annual meeting will be on Thursday July 17<sup>th</sup>. There will be a picnic at 6:00pm and the meeting will commence at 7pm. Food will be provided. There will be an election of 2 officers that are needed.

Some questions have been asked if we will be having a hanger dance in the Fall. The Flying Club sponsored it last year, and discuss at their annual meeting next week. The dance is usually held the Saturday after Labor Day. So keep this date open for further details.

### **Project reports: \*\*\*\*\***

\*Chuck just finished painting his frame, and he needs to get more materials.

\*Dick Brady has just received certification on his aircraft. Now he is waiting for Jerry Z. to be his test pilot.

\*Kevin Martin is now fitting his wings onto his plane.

There will be an International Train Festival in Owosso during the week of July 23 through 7/26. This is the week preceding Oshkosh. If you have time to take this in, it would be really worth it. It is a festival that travels around each summer so take the opportunity to see it while it is happening this close to home.

On 7/18 & 7/19 the Yankee Air Show "Thunder Over Michigan" will happen. Tickets are available on line.

On August 22 & 23 there will be a free air Show at Selfridge Air Force Base. For more info go to [www.selfridgeairshow.org](http://www.selfridgeairshow.org).

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Tim Harwood, and seconded by Bob Carlson. The meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted by Shelley Carlson for Cindy Truesdail, Secretary